

PATENT APPLICATION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appln. No. : 09/937,016 I.A. Filed : January 22, 2001 : MOVABLE COVER FOR RIGIDIFYING For AND/OR PROTECTING THE FRONT OF AN ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR, SUCH AS A SNOWBOARD (As Amended))

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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 7, 2003 TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office action dated February 7, 2003, please enter the following amendments to the instant application.

The amendments are being submitted using the revised format set forth in the Notice, dated January 31, 2003, issued by the Office of Patent Legal Administration (signed by Deputy Commissioner Stephen Kunin), entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted." The Notice explains that the provisions of 37 CFR §1.121(a), (b), (c), and (d) are waived.

Upon entry of the amendment, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE

Please replace the title of the invention with the following: Movable Cover for Rigidifying and/or Protecting the Front Face of an Article of Footwear, Such as a Snowboard Boot.